CLAIMS

1 A sheet of material suitable for the construction of a bracket, connector or joiner, said sheet material having a least one series of shaped apertures to facilitate the folding or cutting of the sheet material.

2 A sheet of material as defined in claim 1 wherein the shaped apertures are in rows longitudinally and orthogonally of the sheet.

3 A sheet of material as defined in claim 1or claim 2 when the material is sheet metal.

4 A sheet of material as defined in claim 2 wherein the shaped apertures have an apex or point extending longitudinally and orthogonally of the sheet.

5 A sheet of material as defined in claim 4 wherein the shaped apertures are square or diamond shaped.

6 A sheet of material as defined in claim 4 wherein the sheet is provided with a series of rows of round holes positioned between the rows of shaped apertures.

7 A method of constructing a bracket or joiner including the step of providing a sheet having rows of apertures extending longitudinally and orthogonally of the sheet, said apertures being so shaped to provide for folding and/or cutting longitudinally and/or orthogonally of the sheet, and cutting and bending the sheet to form a bracket or joiner.

8 A method as defined in claim 7 wherein the shaped apertures are squares or diamonds with the diagonals extending longitudinally and orthogonally of the sheet.

9 A method as defined in claim 7 wherein the sheet is provided with rows of round attaching holes spaced between the rows of shaped apertures.

10 Bracket or joiner when made by the method of any one of claims 7 to 9.